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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
OAKLAND DIVISION

IN RE: SOCIAL MEDIA ADOLESCENT  
ADDICTION/PERSONAL INJURY  
PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

MDL No. 3047

Case No. 4:22-md-03047-YGR-PHK

**DEFENDANTS' STATEMENT OF  
RECENT DECISION IN SUPPORT  
OF MOTION TO EXCLUDE GENERAL  
CAUSATION TESTIMONY OF  
PLAINTIFFS' EXPERTS**

This Document Relates to:

ALL ACTIONS

Judge: Hon. Yvonne Gonzalez Rogers  
Magistrate Judge: Hon. Peter H. Kang

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Place: Courtroom 1, 4th Floor

Pursuant to Local Civil Rule 7-3(d)(2), Defendants respectfully submit this Statement of Recent Decision in connection with their pending Motion to Exclude General Causation Testimony of Plaintiffs' Experts (ECF No. 2295) to bring to the Court's attention the December 15, 2025 Ruling and Order in *NetChoice v. Murrill*, No. CV 25-231-JWD-RLB, at 65 n.19, 72–73, 78–79 (M.D. La. Dec. 15, 2025) (ECF No. 18), a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A.<sup>1</sup> The referenced portions of this Ruling and Order are relevant to Defendants' motion to exclude the general causation opinions of Dr. Jean Twenge.

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<sup>1</sup> This Ruling and Order is also available at *NetChoice v. Murrill*, 2025 WL 3634112, at \*33 n.19, \*36, \*39 (M.D. La. Dec. 15, 2025).

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I, David P. Mattern, hereby attest, pursuant to N.D. Cal. Civil L.R. 5-1, that the concurrence to the filing of this document has been obtained from each signatory hereto.

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